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Disposition of Claims			
4) Claim(s) <u>1-18</u> is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdra 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) <u>1-18</u> are subject to restriction and/or	wn from consideration.		
Application Papers			
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12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documen 2. Certified copies of the priority documen 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documen application from the International Burea * See the attached detailed Office action for a list	ts have been received. ts have been received in Applicat prity documents have been receiv au (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	ion No ed in this National Stage	
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

- 2. This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.
- 3. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claims 1-5 and 15, drawn to an expired dendritic cell.

Group II, claims 6-8 and 13-14, drawn to a permanently activated dendritic cell.

Group III, claim 9, drawn to a method for preparing expired dendritic cells.

Group IV, claims 10-11, drawn to a method for preparing permanently activated mature dendritic cells.

Group V, claim 12, drawn to a method for preparing transiently activated mature dendritic cells.

Group VI, claim 16, drawn to a method for treating cancer comprising administering a permanently activated dendritic cell.

Group VII, claims 17-18, drawn to a method for transplantation comprising introducing an expired dendritic cell into a human recipient.

4. The inventions listed as Groups I-VII listed above do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reason:

The invention of Group II, the permanently activated dendritic cell, has no special technical feature that defined the contribution over the prior art of Kelleher et al., 2001 (of record).

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Kelleher et al. teach an activated dendritic cell that is capable of activating naive CTL (see page 6249). Furthermore, Kelleher et al. teach that the dendritic cells are mature, and mature dendritic cells inherently have projecting dendrites and form aggregation clusters with T cells. Furthermore, Kelleher et al. teach that the dendritic cells express high levels of CD80 and CD86. Furthermore, the dendritic cells of Kelleher et al. have stable properties under the action of anti-CD40 (for example the cells exhibit stable IL-2 and IL-10 production, see Table II).

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- 5. Since Applicant's inventions do not contribute a special technical feature when viewed over the prior art they do not have a single general inventive concept and so lack unity of invention.
- 6. Accordingly, Groups I-VII are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept and restriction is proper.
- 7. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).
- 8. The examiner has required restriction between product and process claims. Where applicant elects claims directed to the product, and the product claims are subsequently found allowable, withdrawn process claims that depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of the allowable product claim will be considered for rejoinder. All claims directed a nonelected process invention must require all the limitations of an allowable product claim for that process invention to be rejoined.

In the event of rejoinder, the requirement for restriction between the product claims and the rejoined process claims will be withdrawn, and the rejoined process claims will be fully examined for patentability in accordance with 37 CFR 1.104. Thus, to be allowable, the rejoined claims must meet all criteria for patentability including the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 101, 102, 103 and 112. Until all claims to the elected product are found allowable, an otherwise proper restriction requirement between product claims and process claims may be maintained. Withdrawn process claims that are not commensurate

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in scope with an allowable product claim will not be rejoined. See MPEP § 821.04(b). Additionally, in order to retain the right to rejoinder in accordance with the above policy, applicant is advised that the process claims should be amended during prosecution to require the limitations of the product claims. Failure to do so may result in a loss of the right to rejoinder. Further, note that the prohibition against double patenting rejections of 35 U.S.C. 121 does not apply where the restriction requirement is withdrawn by the examiner before the patent issues. See MPEP § 804.01.

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9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amy E. Juedes, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-272-4471. The examiner can normally be reached on 8am - 5pm, Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eileen O'Hara can be reached on 571-272-0878. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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